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Subject: FW: Alcohol License Change Ordinance.

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I, Dave Blossom, am opposed to the ordinance that seeks to change the current regulation for distance that an Alcohol permitted business has to be from any Church or School. I feel that the current regulation is working just fine and should remain the same. I do not believe that this issue was researched very well as to the effect it could have on our Churches and schools throughout the Kenai peninsula. This change is primarily for the situation that is occurring in Ninilchik and should not be changed for only one case without looking at the long term ramifications.

One such case would be the Kasilof Community Church which borders the property line with the Kasilof store. Currently, the store is not allowed to have a liquor license because it shares a property line with the Kasilof church and does not meet the 500 feet property to property regulation. If this was to change do to this ordinance, the store could sell and serve alcohol to customers and the Church and store buildings are only about 150-200 feet apart. The church and the store also share a driveway off of Pollard Loop road and the potential for people driving impaired through the church driveway and parking lot is greatly increased. The church has a lot of family based activities in the lawn area and parking lot next to the store.

If you look at many other churches and schools on the Kenai peninsula, the potential for a Liquor store to be built next to or across the street is very high. Another thing to consider is to look to the future of legalized marijuana stores. They will want the same regulations possibly as liquor stores have and then we could have both across the street from our schools and churches. I think this sends the wrong advertising message to our children.

Please distribute this letter to all assembly members before the up-coming meeting.

Thanks, Dave Blossom.